



Practitioner's Docket No. 2507/101

PATENT

REISSUE APPLICATION DECLARATION AND POWER OF ATTORNEY BY INVENTOR
(37 C.F.R. Sec. 1.175)

As a below named inventor, I hereby declare that:

My residence, post office address and citizenship are as stated below next to my name. I believe I am the original, first and sole inventor of the subject matter that is described and claimed in letters patent number 5,954,671, granted on September 21, 1999, and for which invention I solicit a reissue patent on the invention entitled Bone Harvesting Method and Apparatus, the specification of which was filed on August 3, 2001, as reissue application number 09/922,555.

ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF REVIEW OF PAPERS AND DUTY OF CANDOR

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above.

I acknowledge the duty to disclose information that is material to patentability as defined in Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, Sec. 1.56.

PRIORITY CLAIM

I do not claim foreign priority benefits under Title 35, United States Code, Sec. 119 of any foreign application(s) for patent. No such applications have been filed. I claim priority of provisional application No. 60/082,340 filed April 20, 1998.

STATEMENT OF INOPERATIVENESS OR INVALIDITY OF ORIGINAL PATENT

That I believe the original patent to be partly inoperative or invalid by reason of the patentee claiming more or less than the patentee had a right to claim in the patent (37 C.F.R. Sec. 1.175(a)(1)).

That all the claims of the original patent require either the use of an "impactor cap" or a "forked cannula" is an error.

Every error in the patent which was corrected in the resent reissue application, and is not covered by a prior oath/declaration submitted in this application, arose without any deceptive intention on the part of the applicant. (37 C.F.R. Sec. 1.175(a)(2)).

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